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CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Plastic containers, especially blow molded plastic containers in larger sizes, are frequently desired to be placed in coolers or refrigerators in different orientations. For example, it may be desirable to place the container upright, or it may be desirable to place the container on its side.

It is desirable to provide a plastic container that is readily suitable for such different orientations. The label panel should be suitable for such different orientations. Similarly, an integral handle should preferably be provided that is readily usable when the container is placed in such different orientations.

In addition, the plastic container as aforesaid should have a good wall structure suitable for hot filling without wall bulging and with good wall rigidity.